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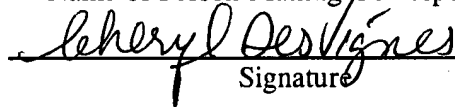
Claims 1-8 have been canceled. New Claims 10-26 have been added to better conform with U.S. practice.

Early examination and allowance of the application are respectfully requested.

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